

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Serial No. 09/840,754		Filing Date April 23, 2001	Examiner K. Nguyen	Case No. 659/1682 (K-C 15,442)
Inventor(s) Topolkaraev et al.		Group Art Unit 1774		
Title of Invention BIODEGRADABLE FILMS HAVING ENHANCED DUCTILITY AND BREATHABILITY				

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is a (1) Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (37 CFR 1.136(a)) (in duplicate) with \$938 fee; (2) Request for Continued Examination (37 CFR 1.114 (in duplicate)) with \$750 fee; (3) Preliminary Amendment; (4) PTO Transmittal letter (in duplicate).

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ **Petition for a three month extension of time.**
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total	25	Minus	29	0
Indep.	1	Minus	3	0
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				

Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$9 =	
x 42 =	
+ \$140 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

Other Than Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$18 =	0
x \$84 =	
+ \$280 =	
Total add'l fee	\$ 0

- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
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- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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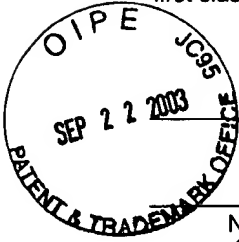
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- ☒ Applicant:
- ☐ claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
- ☐ is other than small entity

	<u>Extension Months</u>	<u>Other Than Small Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	One Month	\$110.00	\$55.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	Two Months	\$410.00	\$205.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Three Months	\$930.00	\$465.00
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Fee Payment

- ☒ Attached is a check for **\$930.00** for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$_____ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Dated: September 16, 2003

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